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In re application of:

Mathias SCHAFFORZ

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FOR DIVIDING A WEB
OF WRAPPING MATERIAL

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendment. The Application is amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2.
Remarks begin on page 7.

No fees are required. However, if the Patent Office deems that any fees are necessary,
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authorization is hereby granted to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.
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The rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102, or in the alternative under 35 U.S.C. §103, are being appealed. An Appeal Brief is being filed concurrently.

Entry of Amendments

Entry of the present amendments are respectfully requested as placing the application in better condition for appeal.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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